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Parents Vs. Teens

My dad doesn’t have too many rules for my brother and I, but there are definitely a few important ones. One of the most important rules my dad has is to do my best in school and get the best grades I can. I don’t have a problem with this rule because I’ve always tried to do my best in school. Another rule my dad has is to keep my room clean. Now, I have some trouble keeping this rule because I don’t always keep my room the cleanest, but if it gets too messy I usually clean it.

I’ve always had to tell my dad if I’m going somewhere with my friends or just by myself and if I’m going with someone I always have to tell him who it is and who is driving. This rule doesn’t ever bother me because I know my dad is just looking out for me and is concerned about my safety. I also have to let my dad know where I am at all times and what time I’ll be coming back home. Again, this rule doesn’t bother me because he’s looking out for me and is being a good parent. One rule that my dad is really big about is no talking back to him. If I talk back to my dad I usually get a warning or get my phone taken away. He takes my phone away because he knows that I like to talk to my friends so he punishes me by taking that privilege away.

When my dad was younger and his parents had rules for him if he broke any of the rules he’d have to do a number of things. He’d either have to do chores outside, or be grounded from hanging out with his friends, or some other thing like getting his mouth washed out with soap. My dad’s rules for me and his rules when he was younger are pretty much the same except with a few differences. Some of my dad’s rules have changed as I get older, but there are still some that always stick. I believe that its like that with a lot of other families too.